

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : CONNIE LIM
Serial No. : 10/675,868 Confirmation No.: 6831
Filed : September 30, 2003 Examiner: J. VENKAT
For : HAIR CONDITIONING PRODUCTS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2006. A petition requesting a one (1) month extension of time is enclosed herewith.

The Examiner has required restriction of the application to one of the following groups of claims:

I. Claims 1-9, directed to a composition for application to the hair; and

II. Claims 10-20, directed to a method of promoting a composition for application to the hair.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-9, with traverse for further prosecution on the merits herein. This election is made with traverse because the Examiner has improperly identified Group II. Claims 9-20 (not 10-20) are drawn to a method of conditioning hair using the composition of claim 1. All of claims 9-20 directly or indirectly depend from claim 1. Accordingly all of claims 1-20 should be properly examined together.

The Examiner has also required the following election of species:

- A) a species of first hair conditioning agent; and
- B) a species of third hair conditioning agent.

Applicants hereby elect the species of olive oil for the first hair conditioning agent. All of the claims except claims 3 and 11 read on this species.

Applicants hereby elect the species of almond oil for the third hair conditioning agent. All of claims 1-20 read on this species.

Respectfully submitted,

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